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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

## Assembly Concurrent Resolution

**No. 3**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Logue**

January 14, 2013

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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 3—Relative to the CHP Officer Robert ~~James J.~~ Quirk Memorial Highway.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 3, as amended, Logue. The CHP Officer Robert ~~James J.~~ Quirk Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate a specified portion of State Highway Route 5, in the County of Tehama, as the ~~California Highway Patrol~~ *CHP* Officer Robert ~~James J.~~ Quirk Memorial Highway. The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, California Highway Patrol Officer Robert James
- 2 Quirk was born on January 24, 1922, in Chicago, Illinois, and was
- 3 the beloved and youngest child of Michael Quirk and Anna Lahic;
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, Officer Quirk enlisted in the United States Navy
- 6 in January 1942 and completed Naval Aviator Training; and

1 WHEREAS, Officer Quirk was commissioned as a Lieutenant  
2 Junior Grade and saw action on the Philippine Islands while serving  
3 as a squadron commander of B-24 bombers and flew multiple  
4 bombing raids during the battle of Kwajalein; and

5 WHEREAS, Officer Quirk was recognized for his many  
6 achievements and, in 1947, was honorably discharged from the  
7 Navy; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1951, Officer Quirk moved to San Diego,  
9 California, and began working at Consolidated Aircraft Company;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, In 1954, Officer Quirk was hired by the CHP and  
12 assigned to the Compton CHP Office where he worked from 1955  
13 until 1963; and

14 WHEREAS, In 1963, Officer Quirk was transferred to the Red  
15 Bluff CHP Office where he served until his untimely death in 1971;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, On April 11, 1971, after being involved in a foot  
18 pursuit, during which time he singlehandedly caught three suspects,  
19 Officer Quirk suffered a fatal heart attack; and

20 WHEREAS, Officer Quirk's death was a direct result of his  
21 honorable service to the people of the State of California, but was  
22 not recognized as such for over 40 years; and

23 WHEREAS, Officer Quirk left a wife, Patricia, and five children,  
24 Michael, Sheila, Dan, Phil, and Ken, to cherish his memory and  
25 celebrate his legacy; and

26 WHEREAS, Following in his father's footsteps is his son,  
27 Sergeant Ken Quirk of the Storey County Nevada Sheriff's  
28 Department, who demonstrates the highest standards of law  
29 enforcement while carrying his father's handcuffs and wearing his  
30 father's brass belt buckle; and

31 WHEREAS, In honor of Officer Quirk's service and sacrifice,  
32 it would be a fitting tribute to designate a portion of State Highway  
33 Route 5, in the County of Tehama, as the ~~California Highway~~  
34 ~~Patrol~~ CHP Officer Robert ~~James J.~~ Quirk Memorial Highway;  
35 now, therefore, be it

36 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*  
37 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby designates a  
38 portion of State Highway Route 5, from the Sunset Hills Drive  
39 overcrossing at milepost 38.716 to the Nine Mile Hill overcrossing  
40 at milepost 36.371, in the County of Tehama, as the ~~California~~

1 ~~Highway Patrol~~ *CHP* Officer Robert ~~James J.~~ Quirk Memorial  
2 Highway; and be it further

3 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested  
4 to determine the cost of erecting the appropriate signs, consistent  
5 with the signing requirements for the state highway system,  
6 showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations  
7 from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs; and  
8 be it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies  
10 of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the  
11 author for appropriate distribution.

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